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Weekly Weather Crop Report

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There were 4.2 days suitable for fieldwork last week. Planting activities were at full speed during the week before rain on Thursday. Some areas received excessive rainfall, with flooding in low lying fields. Field activities were at a standstill after the rain. The planting of crops will resume again as soon as field conditions allow.

Progress In Percentages					Conditions in Percentages				
Crop	Event	1995	1994	5-Yr Avg	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Corn	Planted	88	81	63			25	55	20
	Emerged	67	58	46					
Cotton	Planted	21	26	11					
Rice	Planted	70	57	27			21	60	19
	Emerged	47	29	13					
Sorghum	Planted	44	46	29		6	32	55	7
	Emerged	26	30	19					
Soybeans	Planted	18	12	2					
Wheat	Jointing	96	100	95		3	24	65	8
	Heading	68	68	60					
Peanuts	Planted	25	22	12					
Sweetpotatoes	Planted	2	0	4					
Watermelons	Planted	58	61	58			13	81	6
Livestock						1	17	61	21
Pasture							19	56	25
Soil Moisture In Percentages									
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus		Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Topsoil		5	30	65	Subsoil		6	50	44

County Agent Comments

"Now that we have had good rains, we can finish planting cotton, rice, and soybeans when the soil dries. Conditions have been excellent so far on crops that have been planted."

— Don Respass, Quitman County

"Full scale cotton planting got underway this week. Heavy rains on Thursday halted all fieldwork. Pastures and winter grazing received rain. Pneumonia has been a problem in some cattle herds."

— Mike Howell, Calhoun County

"Got a much needed rain, the kind the earth soaks up. This will help pastures and everything that has been planted. It certainly gave an added boost to soil moisture."

— Ricky D. Ferguson, Tippah County

"Planting of soybeans, rice and cotton continued until Thursday morning when the rains came. Hopefully, we will not have to replant anything."

— Tommy Baird, Sunflower County

"March planted cotton will benefit from recent rainfall. Corn fields with chinch bug infestations will also benefit in that rainfall decreased pest numbers below threshold levels, hopefully eliminating insecticide applications."

— Jon T. Ruscoe, Washington County

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Weather Summary from April 17, 1995 to April 23, 1995 For Mississippi

District/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				4 Inch Soil Temperature			Ave Pan Evap
	Max	Min	Ave	Norm	DFN	One Week	DFN	Rain Days	Four Weeks	Max	Min	Ave	
1. Upper Delta													
Clarksdale	83	54	69	66	+3	2.46	+1.22	4	4.54	88	61	69	0.21
Cleveland	88	55	70			3.34		6	6.95				
Tunica	83	51	67	65	+2	2.18	+0.43	4	4.33	79	60	70	0.05
Extreme/Average	88	51	69	65	+3	2.66	+1.16	4	4.94	88	60	70	0.13
2. North-Central													
Holly Springs	85	51	68	63	+6	1.85	+0.48	4	2.89	81	61	71	0.17
Memphis	81	52	68	66	+2	2.27	+0.73	3	3.92				
Oxford	84	50	68	64	+5	2.87	+1.83	5	3.96				
Extreme/Average	85	50	68	64	+4	2.33	+1.01	4	3.59	81	61	71	0.17
3. Northeast													
Booneville	83	53	68	64	+5	2.70	+1.55	3	3.82				
Corinth	85	53	71	65	+6	4.17	+2.90	3	5.50				
Iuka	83	51	68			3.41		3	5.30				
Pontotoc	83	54	69	64	+4	5.14	+4.11	4	7.20	83	62	71	0.12
Tupelo	83	54	69	65	+4	5.00	+3.72	4	5.39				
Verona	84	54	70			4.87		4	7.16	77	61	69	0.11
Extreme/Average	85	51	69	65	+5	4.22	+3.04	4	5.73	83	61	70	0.12
4. Lower Delta													
Belzoni	88	54	72	67	+5	8.52	+7.37	5	11.01	86	68	77	
Greenwood	88	54	73	67	+6	8.42	+7.15	4	12.15				
Rolling Fork	89	53	72			9.28	+8.45	4	11.87	86	70	63	0.11
Stoneville													
Yazoo City	89	55	74	68	+6	8.73	+7.59	2	11.05				
Extreme/Average	89	53	73	67	+5	8.74	+7.64	4	11.52	86	68	70	0.11
5. Central													
Carthage	84	58	72	66	+6	8.88	+7.95	3	10.99				
Jackson	86	54	73	68	+6	6.97	+5.64	2	9.06				
Winona	84	42	67	63	+4	3.07	+1.82	3	4.22				
Extreme/Average	86	42	71	66	+5	6.31	+5.14	3	8.09				
6. East-Central													
Brooksville	89	62	77			1.81	+0.66	1	4.73	84	56	73	
Columbus	86	60	72			5.53		3	8.24				
State University	86	45	71	66	+5	2.97	+2.01	2	5.15	80	69	72	
Extreme/Average	89	45	73	66	+8	3.44	+2.38	2	6.04	84	56	73	
7. Southwest													
Crystal Springs						6.56		2	8.60				
Natchez	86	57	73	69	+4	5.57	+4.20	4	9.94				
Oakley	87	56	73			7.75	+6.83	3	8.33	92	65	75	
Vicksburg	85	58	73			8.77		2	11.93				
Extreme/Average	87	56	73	69	+4	7.16	+6.01	3	9.70	92	65	75	
8. South-Central													
Columbia	87	55	77	69	+8	2.10	+1.03	3	6.07				
McComb	85	58	75	68	+6	4.26	+3.07	4	11.32				
Extreme/Average	87	58	76	69	+7	3.18	+2.05	4	8.70				
9. Southeast													
Beaumont	88	51	73			3.12		3	7.19	90	62	79	
Hattiesburg	86	64	76	69	+7	3.70	+2.81	2	7.22				
Laurel	85	56	73	67	+6	3.27	+2.28	3	5.07				
Meridian	87	53	73	67	+6	5.82	+4.79	2	6.41				
Newton	86	49	72	66	+6	5.73	+4.87	3	7.45	83	55	71	0.20
Extreme/Average	88	49	73	67	+6	4.33	+3.39	3	6.67	90	55	75	0.20
10. Coastal													
Bay St. Louis	84	60	75			5.11		3	18.06				
Biloxi	82	66	76	70	+6	1.66	+0.89	2	5.23				
Gulfport	83	64	74	70	+4	4.18	+3.23	6	15.19				
Pascagoula	79	58	72	71	+2	1.34	+0.67	2	10.52				
Poplarville	86	65	75	69	+6	3.74	+2.70	5	10.96	87	69	77	0.16
Extreme/Average	86	58	75	70	+5	3.21	+2.35	4	11.99	87	69	77	0.16
State	89	42	72	67	+5	4.56	+3.42	4	7.70	92	65	73	0.15

Abbreviations: DFN = Departure from Normal; M = Missing

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